

REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of all grounds of rejection, and allowance of the pending claims are respectfully requested in light of the remarks made herein.

Claims 1-9 are pending and stand rejected.

The examiner has objected to the drawings for including the reference character 20 and failing to described this reference character in the specification. In response, Applicant have amended the specification to described reference character 20. No new matter has been added. Applicant believes that the reason for the examiner's objection to the drawings has been overcome. Applicant respectfully requests the objection be withdrawn.

Claims 1 and 6 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Register et al. (USP No. 5,371,807).

Applicant respectfully disagrees with, and explicitly traverses, the examiner's reason for rejecting the claims.

Amended Claim 1 recites;

1. A method for classification of a program comprising the steps of:
receiving an audio/video signal corresponding to the program; determining transcript information associated with the program using the audio/video signal; identifying at least one cue of a plurality of cues in the transcript information, each of the plurality of cues having associated therewith a type of program; correlating the at least one cue of the plurality of cues identified in the transcript information to the type of program; and classifying the program based on the correlation of the at least one cue of the plurality of cues identified in the transcript information.

Register et al., as read by applicant, teaches a system for text classification by an application for classifying natural language text input into a computer system having a domain specific knowledge base that includes a knowledge base having a plurality of categories. Thus, Register et al. teaches reception of text input data and classification thereof rather than a audio/video signal and classification thereof.

A claim is anticipated only if each and every element recited therein is expressly or inherently described in a single prior art reference. Register et al. cannot be said to anticipate the present invention, because Register et al. fails to disclose each and every element recited. As shown, Register et al. fails to disclose " receiving an audio/video signal corresponding to the program; determining transcript information associated with the program using the audio/video signal," as is recited in the claims.

Having shown that Register et al. fails to disclose each and every element claimed, applicant submits that the reason for the examiner's rejection of the claim has been overcome and can no longer be sustained. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration, withdrawal of the rejection and allowance of the claim.

Claims 2-4 and 7-8 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Register et al. in view of Wei et al., cited by applicant.

With regard to claims 2-4 and 7-8, these claims depends from on of the amended independent claims 1 and 6, which have been shown to be allowable in view of the cited reference. Accordingly, claims 2-4 and 7-8 are also allowable by virtue of its dependence from an allowable base claim.

Claims 5 and 9 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Register et al. in view of Liou et al., (USP No. 6,580,437).

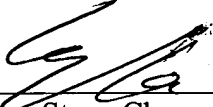
With regard to claims 5 and 9, these claims depends from on of the amended independent claims 1 and 6, which have been shown to be allowable in view of the cited reference. Accordingly, claims 5 and 9 are also allowable by virtue of its dependence from an allowable base claim.

For all the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all the present claims are patentable in view of the cited references. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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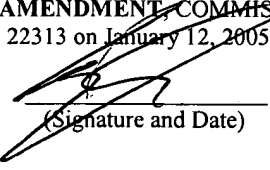

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